

J. R. RACE & Co.

WILL COMMENCE A

GREAT SACRIFICE SALE

For Cash Only,

TO REDUCE THEIR STOCK ON ACCOUNT OF

A CHANGE OF FIRM AND BUSINESS.

And for SIXTY DAYS we're going to

SLAUGHTER OUR STOCK

OF

CLOTHING,

Hats and Gents' Furnishing Goods.

This is no Humbug Sale, or Bankrupt Stock, but a SQUARE DEAL and STRAIGHT BONAFIDE SALE. We mean just what we advertise, and will prove our assertions if you will call in and get prices.

THE DEEPEST CUT

Ever Made in Decatur

ON MEN'S BOYS' AND CHILDREN'S

Suits, Overcoats Hats and Furnishing Goods.

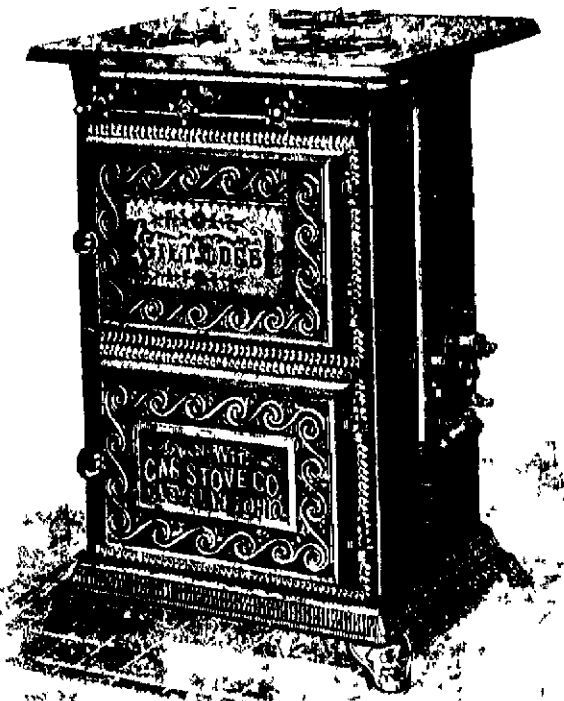
We will sell you Overcoats, Underwear, etc., at 25 per cent less than you can possibly buy elsewhere. This is a STRICTLY LEGITIMATE REDUCTION SALE. The stock must be reduced, and we will make prices so LOW that you can afford to buy a first-class Suit, Overcoat or Hat for a small amount of money.

J. R. RACE & CO.,

129, 135 North Water Street.

THE FUEL OF THE FUTURE.

GAS \$1.50 PER 1,000 FEET.



Gas Stoves for Summer Use

Are rapidly displacing Wood, Coal and Gas for cooking purposes. No burning of coal or wood, no ashes, no dust, no smoke, and PERFECTLY SAFE. Meals can be cooked in shorter time, and with less annoyance from heat, than by any other method. Where used they have given perfect satisfaction, on cost no greater than that of an ordinary wood stove. Ladies who have used them declare that they are irreplaceable, especially in Summer, and they COULD NOT KEEP HOUSE WITHOUT ONE.

The Gas Company proposes to make a

NET PRICE OF \$1.50 PER THOUSAND FEET,

from May 1 to Oct. 1, to ALL PERSONS USING FOR COOKING PURPOSES. Read the following opinions from well known ladies who have used the Gas Stoves in Decatur:

R. J. STRATTON,
Supt. of Decatur Gaslight and Coke Co.

R. J. Stratton, Supt. Gas Co. I am using a No. 7 Gas Range, and it is with pleasure that I bear witness to the many good qualities. For utility, cleanliness, comfort and economy, it is all I could desire. Anything can be cooked on it that can be cooked on any stove, with, in my opinion, less expense, and certainly with less trouble and more comfort. I cheerfully recommend it.

Mrs. R. J. Stratton, Supt. Gas Co. I want to say to you that the gas stove is a furnished to me last Summer is much more satisfactory than I had hoped for. I can do every kind of cooking with it, and the regularity of the heat gives better results than any other stove. I should not desire to keep house without it.

R. J. Stratton, Supt. Gas Co. I have in use one of your Gas Cooking Ranges and as a matter of convenience and comfort it is unsurpassed, and is all you claim for it—gas cooking about the same as oil or coal.

CARPETS!

THE DECATUR CARPET FACTORY

manufactures all kinds of RAG

AND CHAIN CARPETS.

Having arrangements with the largest Wholesale Carpet House in Chicago, to represent their goods in this place, we have secured a line of Samples, all the latest styles of the season. We are now prepared to sell better goods than ever offered here, from the shade of grates to the very finest.

Charles Pfister,
109 South Side Lincoln Park,
March 5-6-89

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Fire-Proof Safes,

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135 SOUTH WATER STREET.

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New Book Bindery

Blank Book Manufacturing,

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Magazines and all kinds of books bound and repaired.

Persons desiring to order on books pocket books, etc., etc.

Numbering tickets, checks, etc.

HERMAN SPIES, Proprietor.

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Every Household

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It saves thousands of lives annually and is particularly efficacious in Croup, Whooping Cough, and Sore Throat.

"After an extensive practice of nearly one-third of a century, Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is now the most popular of all coughs, colds, and croup remedies."

"Some years ago Ayer's Cherry Pectoral cured me of a severe cold, and the best medical skill had failed to give me relief. A few weeks since, being again a little troubled with the disease, I was promptly relieved by it."

Relieved By the same remedy. I recently suffered from a severe cold, and the best medical skill had failed to give me relief. A few weeks since, being again a little troubled with the disease, I was promptly relieved by it."

For a child's cold, whooping cough, croup, and all other ailments of the throat and lungs, Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is the best remedy.

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ENTERING IN.

The church was dim and silent.

With the hush before the prayer.

Of the organ struck the air.

Without the sweet, still sunshine.

Within the holy calm.

Where priest and people wait in

For the swelling of the psalm.

Slowly the door swung open

And a little baby girl

Brought a smile to her mother's face.

In many a way our

With soft cheeks flushing

As they passed down the aisle.

And small hands clasped before her.

And in the aisle alone

Stood half-faded half-forgotten.

Knowing where to go

While the wind rocked low.

Her form arched to and fro

And the clinging robe fluttered

In the breeze that came from

As from a side she was wavered

With a mute imploring grace

It was but for a moment

What wonder that the child

By such a strange, sweet picture

Whom holy thoughts beguiled

Up from her knees and forth

And many an eye grew dim.

As through the tender silence

He bore the child with him

And I wondered long

How men and the prayer

If when sometimes I enter

The many mansions here

And amidst the throng

Amidst the throng and the

In the portal's golden glow

Oh God will send an angel

To show me where to go

—Sunday School Visitation

Pine Products.

In the Landes district of western

France, on the Gironde, the soil is sandy

and will grow little but pines, of which

forests have been successfully cultivated

for many years. The pines are not ex-

clusively upon the revenues derived from

the production of pit props, railway

ties, telegraph poles, fuel and resin. The

annual shipment of pit props from

France to England now amounts to

about 175,000 tons, which is twice as

much as we shipped ten years ago. The

ties and poles are used mainly in France.

A large quantity of young pines are also

shipped to England for manufacture into

paper. The poor classes, especially

those of the Landes district, are

greatly benefited by the resin, but

there is said to have been a serious

decline in the exportation of this article

from Bordeaux through competition from

the United States, which has greatly in-

creased its exports, and is the chief

source of supply.

This has been a serious mystery to

the inhabitants of the Landes district.

Pine oil is made from the refuse of resin

left in making turpentine. It is used

extensively in Bordeaux as an illuminant.

It burns brightly, is cheaper than

petroleum and is non-explosive. It is

also prepared and sold to some extent

in the Landes district, but has recently

been taken out of its production.

In France the pine does not appear to suffer

from the extraction of resin, where case

is used, but on account of it the wood is

said to be better fitted for certain pur-

poses, such as the manufacture of paper

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